SUMMARY OF MEETING KENDALL COMMUNITY COUNCIL (12)

Non-Zoning Meeting Kendall Branch Library 9101 SW 97 Avenue Miami, FL 33176 March 18, 2009 – 6:30 p.m.

Council Members Present

Carla Ascencio-Savola Peggy Brodeur Jorge Garciga Alberto Santana, Vice-Chair Jose Valdes Angela Vazquez Elliot N. Zack, Chair

Miami-Dade DP&Z Staff Present

Marisol Triana, Executive Secretary Thomas Gomez, Planner

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm. Chairman Zack led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Triana called roll and all members were present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda was forwarded by Councilwoman Brodeur and seconded by Councilwoman Ascencio-Savola. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 21, 2009

A motion to approve the minutes was forwarded by Councilwoman Ascencio-Savola and seconded by Councilwoman Brodeur. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

- Quarterly Chairs Meeting on March 27, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. at the Steven P. Clark Building, 18th Floor.
- Annual Orientation to be taking place in April 24, 2009.
- Department of Planning & Zoning will be submitting the East Kendall Charrette Report to the Budget Planning and Sustainability Committee for consideration in April, and to the BCC for final approval in May.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairman Zack reiterated the date and location of the Quarterly Chairs Meeting. He also reminded the Council about their next zoning and non-zoning meetings for April and May respectively.

Mr. Zack expressed appreciation to Commissioner Carlos Gimenez for having sponsored the CC polo shirts. He also thanked Ms. Ascencio-Savola for having arranged a town hall meeting.

MDPR PRESENTATION – INDIAN HAMMOCKS PARK

Ms. Maria Nardi and Mr. Joe Webb made a presentation on the plans for development of future amenities and enhancements to the Kendall Indian Hammocks Park to include an overview of the planning process; an analysis of park master plans, community contact, and recreation master plan; and the final proposal for the park — which includes the creation of a senior citizen center. The community had the opportunity to voice their opinions and concerns on this item.

Councilwoman Ascencio-Savola proposed to draft a resolution that would support the construction of a Senior Center at the Kendall Indian Hammocks Park, and for Departments such as GSA, Public Works, and MDFR to work together with Miami-Dade Park & Recreation to actively seek the opportunities to expand the park facilities by acquiring adjacent public land and building. This resolution will be included in the next meeting's agenda.

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC BUSINESS MANAGEMENT 09-10 BUDGET PRIORITIES

- **PRIORITY 1:**Request for Paint Site land located at 8290 SW 120 Street to be acquired by Miami-Dade Park & Recreation.
- **PRIORITY 2:**To prioritize in the implementation of the East Kendall Charrette the pick-up/drop-off area and a center median along SW 97 Ave at the Killian Senior High School. Moreover, complete the improvements that are underway in the Glades Middle School area.
- **PRIORITY** 3:Provide funding to the Public Works RAAM division to be used in emergency incidents such as droughts to be able to continue to provide right-of-way watering and maintenance. Moreover, provide long-term funding to supplement Mr. Steve Duncan's budget for the division to be able to replace all the plants and materials that are withered because of the droughts.
- **PRIORITY 4:**Request additional officers and Police presence in the Council districts; an increase on the number of officers per unit of population; and increase patrolling in Continental Park area.
- **PRIORITY 5:** Request for Speed Monitored School Flashing Beacons in the major roadways such as SW 107 Ave (for Kendale Elementary); SW 56 Street (for Blue Lakes Elementary). Moreover, request for the Council to be included in the Planning process of the remodeling of the Kendall Branch Library as means to set aside a meeting room for community use.

- **PRIORITY 6:**Prioritize funding for the construction of a Senior Center in Kendall Indian Hammocks Park.
- **PRIORITY 7:**Request Miami-Dade Parks to acquire more green land adjacent to the Kendall Indian Hammocks Park, and provide landscaping in the area along SW 117 Ave and SW 72 St 88 St.

GUIDED BUSWAY – CSX CORRIDOR

Mr. Eric Prince provided an update on the guided busway proposal process. Mr. Prince stated that CSX is willing to speak about the new cargo-consolidation alternatives that have been presented on his proposal. He also referred to a resolution proposing the use of greener lower technology, more flexible, and less expensive transit alternatives than those that include the use of Metrorail and/or fixed rail. It also considers CSX cargo consolidation and a linear park 2-lane guided bus-way with by-pass and landscape green areas along its corridors.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- 1- MDPD: Stats/Major Herrera.
- 2- Resolution regarding Kendall Indian Hammocks Park.
- 3- Resolution on guided busway.
- 4- US Green Council presentation.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marisol Triana, Executive Secretary